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SUBJECT: GOJ DENIES RE-ENTRY PERMITS TO FRASER COMMITTEE INVITEES

REF: TOKYO 11050

1. JAPANESE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE JULY 23 DENIED RE-ENTRY PERMITS TO THREE KOREAN RESIDENTS (CHO HWUL CHUN, KWAK TONG EUI, AND KIM KWAN SOO) INVITED TO TESTIFY BEFORE FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE. CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY SONODA REPORTEDLY TOLD PRESS THAT PERMITS WERE DENIED BECAUSE KOREANS WERE NOT "OFFICIALLY INVITED" BY SUBCOMMITTEE, SONODA ADDED THAT IF INVITATIONS WERE OFFICIAL, USG WOULD HAVE TO MAKE FORMAL REQUEST TO ROKG (SIC) FOR THEIR TESTIMONY AND ROKG WOULD TRANSMIT REQUEST TO GOJ.

2. JUSTICE MINISTRY SPOKESMEN REPORTEDLY HAVE EXPLAINED TO PRESS THAT WHAT IS REQUIRED IS OFFICIAL USG REQUEST TO GOJ "THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS," ALTHOUGH ACCEPTING IT
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WOULD BE "LEGALLY DIFFICULT."

3. AS NOTED REFTTEL AND AS GOJ (AND OPPONENTS) ARE FULLY AWARE, KOREANS HAVE LETTER ON SUBCOMMITTEE STATIONERY SIGNED BY STAFF DIRECTOR ROBERT BOETTCHER INVITING THEM TO TESTIFY. KOREANS INVOLVED REPORTEDLY HAVE EXPLAINED SITUATION TO BOETTCHER

BY TELEPHONE.

4. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE PRESS INTEREST IN SITUATION,
AND WE EXPECT QUERIES TO EMBASSY. IF ASKED, WE PLAN
SIMPLY TO POINT OUT THAT ISSUANCE OF VISAS IS
CONDITIONAL ON ISSUANCE OF RE-ENTRY PERMITS, WHICH
IS MATTER FOR GOJ TO DECIDE.

5. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER APPROACH TO FONOFF ON
BEHALF OF SUBCOMMITTEE IS IN ORDER. MANSFIELD UNQTE VANCE

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